

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re:	Looper, et al.	Confirmation No.:	9390
Appl No.:	10/763,647	Group Art Unit:	1762
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT
37 CFR § 1.115**

Sir:

Please enter this Preliminary Amendment before calculating the claim fee and amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.